

Appl. No. 10/805,041
Reply to Office action of August 24, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-4 are pending in this application. Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected and claims 3 and 4 are objected to. The following remarks are addressed to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e), as being anticipated by Pickles, et al. (US 6,290,857). Claims 1 and 2 are hereby cancelled rendering this rejection moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

The applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 3 and 4. Claim 3 has been amended to include the limitations of independent claim 1 and intervening claim 2.

In view of the amendments and remarks presented here, Applicant respectfully contends that the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments, reconsideration and allowance of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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